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EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OCTOBER 24, 2024

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY UPDATE: HOMELESS OUTREACH MANAGEMENT & ENGAGEMENT

(HOME)

ACTION: RECEIVE ORAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE oral report on Homeless Outreach Management & Engagement (HOME).

ISSUE

Los Angeles is experiencing a homelessness crisis, and many unhoused individuals seek shelter on Metro's rail and busway system. Since 2018, Metro has been funding local social service agencies to deploy multidisciplinary outreach teams that engage and deliver resources and services to unhoused riders. In addition, Metro has partnered with local homeless shelters to provide beds for the outreach teams to utilize. This is a report on the status and outcomes of Metro's homeless engagements.

EQUITY PLATFORM

Metro's efforts to address homelessness on the transit system through its homeless outreach program directly benefit unhoused individuals in LA County. Using a multi-layered deployment strategy that combines several departments, Metro strategically engages the most disenfranchised members of the community. Multidisciplinary Teams (MDTs) have a direct impact on Metro's efforts to invest in Equity Focus Communities by providing homeless outreach services within EFCs throughout the Metro system.

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Metro Homeless Outreach Management & Engagement (HOME)

Quarterly Update October 2024



HOME Outreach Teams

24 Multidisciplinary Teams (MDT)

- 23 teams are onboarded w/ remaining team in recruitment
- Deployed 7 days a week, w/ 24hr Coverage M-F
- Ongoing coordination w/ Ambassadors, Security and Law Enforcement to focus on End of Line and Focus stations

Homeless Outreach Costs & Projection:

- FY24 Cost (19 MDTs, 25 Interim beds & Metro staff): \$10.4M
- Projected maximum annual cost (24 MDTs, 45 Interim Beds & Metro staff): \$17.8M



Goals & Outcomes

Last Year

(July 2023 - June 2024)

Annual Housing Goal: 966

placements

Grand Total: 2,116 (219%)

Total Interim: 1,737

Total Permanent: 379

5,442 New HMIS Enrollments

This Year

(July 2024 - Sept. 2024)

Annual Housing Goal: 1,800

placements

Quarter 1:

Grand Total: 666 (37%)

Total Interim: 594

Total Permanent: 72

1,660 New HMIS Enrollments

End of Line Count & Survey - Sept 2023 to Sept 2024

Overall Survey Results

51% Survey Participation

67% of respondents indicated that this city/jurisdiction is where they most often experience homelessness

57% Deboard to Outdoor Locations

75% Reboard When Service Begins



Sept 2023: 207 Sept 2024: 163

Effects of Collaboration

73% Union Station

- One-train-at-a-time boarding
- End of line cleaning & alighting
- Fare Checks

50% N Hollywood

- B Line Tap-to-Exit Fare Enforcement
- G Line open door elevators
- Onsite LIFE program registration

32% APU/Citrus

- Parking Lot User Safety (PLUS)
 - Brighter lighting
 - Open door elevators
 - Ambient sound device
- Throne Restroom

24/7 Shelter Beds Status

LA Family Housing

(SPA 2, SF Valley; July 2024-Sept 2024)
20 Singles Beds
100% Capacity
28 Total Placements





LA Global Care

(SPA 6, South LA; Mar 2023-Sept 2024)
25 Family Beds
92% Capacity
73 Total Placements

LAHSA

(SPA 6, South LA; June 2024 – Sept 2024)
25 Singles Beds
88% Capacity
57 Total Placements



Partnership - DHS Mobile Clinic



Locations & Outcomes

Recurring:

WLMP Station

- 2x per month

- Thurs 9 – 2pm

Test Sites:

North Hollywood Station

Norwalk Station

People Assisted Since Partnership Inception (March 2023 – September 2024)

New Patients: 167

Returning Patients: 146

